

OPINION 1029

RANA BOANS LINNAEUS, 1758 (AMPHIBIA): PLACED ON THE OFFICIAL LIST OF SPECIFIC NAMES IN ZOOLOGY

RULING.—(1) The following names are hereby placed on the Official List of Specific Names in Zoology with the Name Numbers specified:

- (a) *boans* Linnaeus, 1758, as published in the binomen *Rana boans* and interpreted by reference to the neotype designated by Duellman (1971 *Herpetologica* 27 : 399), Number 16603, in the Rijksmuseum van Natuurlijke Historie, Leiden (Name No. 2538);
- (b) *albopunctata* Spix, 1824, as published in the binomen *Hyla albopunctata*, as defined by the neotype (University of Kansas Museum of Natural History, Number 100000) designated by Duellman, 1971, *Herpetologica* 27 : 402; for use as the replacement name for *Hyla boans* Latreille, 1801, by those zoologists who regard that species as congeneric with *Rana boans* Linnaeus, 1758. (Name No. 2539).
- (2) The name *maxima* Laurenti, 1768, as published in the binomen *Rana maxima* (a junior objective synonym of *Rana boans* Linnaeus, 1758) is hereby placed on the Official Index of Rejected and Invalid Specific Names in Zoology with the Name Number 999.

HISTORY OF THE CASE (Z.N.(S.) 1957)

The present case was submitted to the office of the Commission by William E. Duellman and Juan A. Rivero in January 1971. The application was sent to the printer on 8 July 1971 and was published on 8 December 1971 in *Bull. zool. Nomencl.* 28 : 117–118. The proposal was supported by Hobart M. Smith (*Bull.* 29 : 195).

DECISION OF THE COMMISSION

On 28 March 1974 the Members of the Commission were invited to vote under the Three-Month Rule on Voting Paper (74)4 either for or against the proposals set out in *Bull. zool. Nomencl.* 28 : 118. At the close of the voting period on 28 June 1974 the state of the voting was as follows:

Affirmative votes—twenty (20), received in the following order: Holthuis, Vokes, Simpson, Lemche, Willink, Eisenmann, Sabrosky, Dupuis, Tortonese, Melville, Corliss, Habe, Starobogatov, Alvarado, Bernardi, Bayer, Ride, Kraus, Nye, Rohdendorf.

Negative votes—one (1): Binder.

Abstention—one (1): Mayr.

Voting Papers not returned—four (4): Brinck, Munroe, Erben, Heppell.

The following comments were made by Commissioners in returning their votes:

Dr. L. B. Holthuis (2.iv.1974): "Paragraph 7(2)(a). *Hyla boans* Latreille, 1801, is not a primary homonym, but a secondary homonym of *Rana boans*

Linnaeus, 1758, and therefore, not being suppressed under the Plenary Powers, cannot be placed on the Official Index".

Dr. E. Eisenmann (27.iv.1974): "The statute of limitations seems not to have applied as *Rana boans* Linnaeus had been revived prior to its adoption".

Prof. G. Bernardi (15.vi.1974): "La note de Duellman et Rivero constitue une excellente mise au point nomenclatorique mais je ne suis pas sûr qu'il est indispensable de faire sanctionner les conclusions de ces auteurs par la Commission".

Dr. I. W. B. Nye (25.vi.1974): "Proposal (2)(a) should be amended from ' . . . primary homonym . . . ' to ' . . . secondary homonym . . . '".

ORIGINAL REFERENCES

The following are the original references for names placed on the Official List and Index by the Ruling given in the present Opinion:

albopunctata, Hyla, Spix, 1824, *Animalia nova, sive species novae Testudinum et Ranarum quas in itinere per Brasiliam, annis 1817-1820 collegit et descripsit* . . . J. B. Spix., Monachii: 33

boans, *Rana*, Linnaeus, 1758, *Systema naturae* (ed. 10) 1: 213

maxima, *Rana*, Laurenti, J. N., 1768, *Specimen medicum, exhibens synopsis Reptilium emendatum cum experimentis circa venena et antidota reptilium Austriacorum*, Vienna: 32

CERTIFICATE

I certify that the votes cast on Voting Paper (74)4 were cast as set out above, that the proposal contained in that Voting Paper has been duly adopted under the plenary powers, and that the decision so taken, being the decision of the International Commission, is truly recorded in the present Opinion No. 1029.

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London

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